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SETHU SAMUDRAM SHIP CANAL PROJECT
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the feasibility and viability report on Sethu Samudram Ship CanalProject has been prepared and is in the process of finalisation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether interests of local area of the project have been taken care of;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI DILIPKUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI)

(a) to (e) The Techno-Economic Viability and detailed Environmental Impact Assessment study for Sethusamudram Ship Canal Project were entrusted to M/s National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI), Nagpur in May, 2002.NEERI has submitted draft report on Environmental Impact Assessment. The final report is yet to be submitted by NEERI.Detailed Project Report, which is required to include the interests of local area, can be prepared only after receipt of the final report from NEERI.